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Happy long weekend Metro readers! We're off Monday but we'll resume our regular publication schedule Tuesday



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Progressive Conservative supporters of Ottawa South PC candidate Matt Young watch the poll results with expressions of apparent unease. Although initially confident of victory, supporters became increasingly anxious as the night progressed. JOE LOFARO/METRO

Young hopes dashed by Liberals

Byelection. Low voter turnout before long weekend believed to have helped sitting government

Despite early polls showing upstart Progressive Candidate Matt Young ahead of Liberal John Fraser, it seems Ottawa South voters stuck with the party they knew.

Fraser, who worked for 14 years as a constituency assistant for former premier Dalton McGuinty before running for office, kept the Liberal stronghold — a riding held by McGuinty's father also.

Ontario's minority Liberal government will hold on to two of the five seats it had on the line in provincial byelections, while the NDP will welcome at least two new members to the legislature.

It was a close three-way

Wynne-ing?

- All five seats had been Liberal, so the byelections were a chance to see if Wynne was being judged on her own merit or on scandals, such as the costly cancellation of two gas plants, that she inherited from McGuinty's administration.

race in the riding of Scarborough-Guildwood, but the Liberals opened up a solid lead with the Conservatives and New Democrats battling for second.

But they lost Windsor Tecumseh and London West to the New Democrats.

The Progressive Conservatives opened a small but solid lead Thursday night in Etobicoke Lakeshore, and picked up their first win in a Toronto riding since 1999.

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Paralympic swimmer preps for world's on home surf

Montreal. Canada's team is predicting 11 podium finishes at the world championships

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The profile on Paralympic sports is rising leading up to the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, said Gatineau para-swimmer Camille Bérubé as she put in more hard training Thursday ahead of IPC World Championships in Montreal Aug. 12.

"It's the first time we're hosting such a big event in Canada," said Bérubé of the championships following a practice at her home pool at the Centre Sportif de Gatineau. "It's great for the image of Paralympic swimming."

An athlete at the London Paralympics in 2012, Bérubé, 18, is unable to swim with her legs due to a childhood cancer,

yet she uses her arms and core body strength to swim the 200 metre in three minutes and fourteen seconds.

"My whole family are cross-country skiers. So it's difficult to get into that considering the fact I'm not using my legs," she said, adding she fell in love with swimming at the age of nine and just kept going. "I love it. I still do. I kept moving forward to provincials, nationals and eventually the Olympics."

Canada is hoping for 11 podium finishes at the world championships.

Nine-time Paralympic Games gold medalist Benoît Huot from Longueuil, Que., is training to be one of them. Still, he has bigger dreams for the sport.

"I hope one day we will see in the eyes of the general public that the Paralympic gold medal is worth the same as the Olympic gold medal," said the 29-year-old swimmer. "It might take 50 years, but this is something I will fight for and hopefully will see it when I'm alive."



Gatineau para-swimmer Camille Bérubé will compete in the 2013 IPC World Championships in Montreal from Aug. 12 to 18. CANADIAN PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE/CONTRIBUTED

Cops question drivers about South Keys homicide



Melissa Richmond CONTRIBUTED

As grieving family members make funeral arrangements for homicide victim Melissa Richmond, Ottawa police stopped drivers on the road Tuesday night near where the 28-year-old's body was found.

The North Dundas woman went missing last Wednesday after telling her husband, Howard Richmond, she was going for a drive late at night.

Two days later, her gold 2004 Chevrolet Sebring was

found in a parking lot in a South Keys plaza, not far from where her lifeless body was discovered Sunday morning. Police say an officer made the discovery in a ravine behind the Kelsey's restaurant along Bank Street.

As the investigation continues, police said they stopped drivers Wednesday night in South Keys to ask them questions and gather information in an effort to

find her killer. Police don't yet know a motive behind the killing.

Police would not comment on reports that Richmond suffered stab wounds and was found partially clothed. They are also keeping mum on a possible murder weapon.

The funeral is being held Saturday at 11 a.m. at St. George's Chapel in Petawawa, where Richmond is from.

There is also a candlelight

vigil Sunday night outside the Winchester Community Centre.

A makeshift memorial has been set up along the guardrails on Bank Street, just a few feet from where Richmond's body was found. On Facebook, Richmond's husband has asked that in lieu of flowers, for people to make donations to the Winchester Food Bank where she used to volunteer.

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Ongoing. Gatineau cops await autopsy after body found in suspicious fire

Gatineau police are still waiting on results of an autopsy Thursday on the body of a person found inside a badly burned home last weekend, but are now calling the death "suspicious."

"The autopsy process is ongoing: the identity of the victim is not confirmed at the time of this writing," wrote police in an emailed statement in French about the person found inside a home at 14 Gaspé St. last Saturday.

The body was found after police got a call about the fire at

9 a.m. and discovered evidence at the scene that pointed to arson and the possibility the fire was caused by an explosion.

The Gatineau police's Laboratory of Forensic Science and Forensic Medicine is still combing through the home collecting evidence, police said.

A burgundy 2004 Pontiac Sunfire with a rear spoiler was also found and seized in connection with the case, but police have not revealed how it could be connected to the suspicious death and fire. **GRAHAM LANKTREE, WITH FILES FROM JOE LOFARO**



Gatineau police vehicles were parked outside 16 Rue de Gaspé last Sunday as they investigated a body found in a home hit by a suspicious fire last Saturday.

JOE LOFARO/METRO

Start of school year under threat. U of O profs vote in favour of strike mandate

The start of the school year at the University of Ottawa could be threatened as professors gave their union a strike mandate and conciliation talks ended.

The Association of Professors of the University of Ottawa voted 82 per cent in favour of a strike mandate Wednesday after the University of Ottawa called for a "no board report," ending conciliation last week.

Two days of mediation are scheduled for this weekend and Patrick Charette, spokesperson for the University of Ottawa is confident a deal can be reached.

"I think it's an offer that is fair, equitable, in line, comparable with what other universities have offered in Ontario over the last years," says Charette over the phone on Thursday.

The school and union will be bargaining over salary, benefits, pension and tenure.

Christian Rouillard, the president of the APUO, said that for his members salary and other monetary issues were secondary to issues relating to tenure.

Rouillard said the school

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"I think it's an offer that is fair, equitable, in line, comparable with what other universities have offered in Ontario over the last years."

Patrick Charette, spokesperson for the University of Ottawa, said he's confident the two sides can reach a deal soon.

has been concentrating on a teaching first mandate, hiring more limited term replacement professors and fewer tenured positions, he said.

"Less time for research and less time obviously for teaching which means less time to be available for students," he said.

Charette said that the university is putting a lot of effort and energy toward reaching an agreement before school starts in the fall. "I think we all agree that coming September our students deserve our full attention."

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Ottawa Hospital Rehabilitation physiotherapist Alison Davies helps amputee Christine Caron learn to walk with prosthetic limbs. CONTRIBUTED

A tough, pricey road

Recovery. On top of emotional and physical trauma of losing a limb, the path to living as an amputee can be a financial hardship

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Amputees in Ontario struggle emotionally and physically to adapt to their new situation, but also face significant financial obstacles, according to health professionals at Ottawa Hospital.

Without private means, pa-

tients are dependent on insurance or help from the Ontario government, but some fall through the cracks.

"Military and worker's compensation (patients) are funded 100 per cent," says Julie Kim, a prosthetist at Ottawa Hospital's Prosthetics Services, adding that motor vehicle collisions are also usually covered 100 per cent with assistance from government.

Patients like Christine Caron, who lost three limbs in vascular complications after a rare infection, do not have access to the sort of coverage provided to veterans or people involved in auto collisions.

A single leg prosthetic for below the knee can cost

\$15,000 according to Dr. Nancy Dudek, who works at the Ottawa Hospital Rehabilitation Centre.

Each prosthesis costs so much because it has to be customized to a patient's residual limb and to the patient's height and weight.

The Ontario Assistive Devices Program (ADP) offers coverage of up to 75 per cent of the cost of a prosthetic, but in practice it's often much less, says Kim.

"For example a foot, a good foot minimum would cost about \$1,200 and ADP will pay up to \$520 for a foot-and-ankle complex," she says.

Feet can cost much more, Kim says, adding that the car-

bon feet that she wants for Caron cost \$3,600 each.

Recreational prosthetics have no coverage under the Ontario Assistive Devices Program (ADP), even though they can be important to quality of life.

It's hard to put a figure on the number of people who can't afford the optimal prosthetics, Dudek says.

"I think you could comfortably say that it's about 25 per cent."

Maintenance costs for prosthetics are also an issue, as prosthetics can require replacement within three years.

"To live with an amputation is an ongoing expense," Dudek says.

Men caught snapping pics of kids at pools: Cops

Ottawa police are on the hunt for two men who were seen taking photographs of children near public outdoor pools just days apart in the last week.

Last Friday police got a call at 2 p.m. from pool staff at Weston Park, near the Elmvale Mall, about a man who was seen taking photographs of children. Police said the man

was described as Asian, five foot six inches tall and roughly 60 years old.

Staff tried to approach him, but he left on foot in the direction of the mall.

Then on Wednesday, July 31, police got a separate call at 2 p.m. about several children under 12 who were approached at the Katimavik

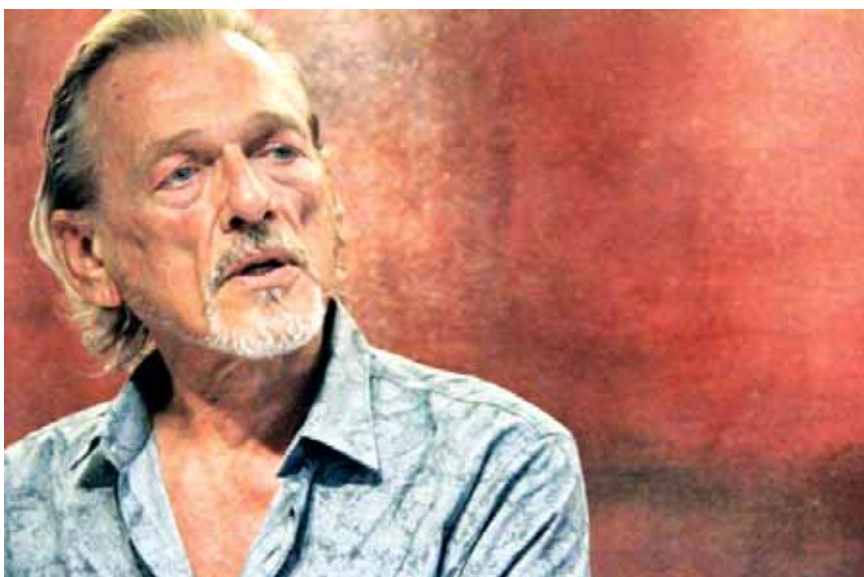
Pool on the other side of town near Kanata Town Centre. The man was described as East Indian, roughly 50 years old and five foot six inches tall.

He was seen taking pictures of children, approached them and asked them to follow him into the nearby bushes, police said, adding he was last seen jogging away toward Katimavik Road.

Police do not know if the same man was involved in both incidents, but are reaching out to the public and anyone with more information.

To contact the Ottawa Police Sexual Assault/Child Abuse Section dial 613-236-1222, ext 5944.

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This year's Pride parade grand marshal is Jay Koorstra, a long-time gay-rights activist and the executive director of Ottawa's Bruce House, which provides for people living with HIV and AIDS. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Pride flag flies not simply for Ottawa

...but the world. As movement makes gains here, rights are being trampled elsewhere



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Attacks on gay rights in Zimbabwe, Russia and Greece are all the more reason to celebrate Ottawa's Capital Pride Festival as it launches Aug. 9.

"We don't have a regime that would put people to death,

but we did have a regime that would put people in jail," said Jay Koorstra, activist and the grand marshal of this year's parade.

Speaking at a Pride launch event on Thursday, Koorstra said the festival and march is about more than an awesome party.

He said a young delegate he heard at Vancouver's International AIDS Conference in 1996 said it best.

"She said, 'You in Canada and North America: continue to push for the things you want.... Because the greater the gap between what you have and what

we have, it will become so great that it will be painfully obvious that what we have is wrong."

Having a grand marshal like Koorstra — who is also the executive director of Ottawa's Bruce House, providing for people living with HIV and AIDS — is proof that Ottawa's Pride Festival still has activism at its heart, said Jeremy Dias, the founder of anti-bullying and gay-rights non-profit group Jer's Vision.

"If you look at the list of grand marshals, it's not stroking anyone's ego," said Dias.

"These are people who have built our movement."

Triathlon to give new meaning to surf 'n' turf

The National Capital Triathlon, hosted by Somersault, is ready and set to go on Saturday.

The course starts at Mooney's Bay in the water, up Colonel By Drive via bike, through Mooney's Bay Park on foot to Revelstoke and loops back around to the big finish at the Terry Fox Athletic Centre.

"The longest course that we have is the Olympic distance, which is a 1,500-metre swim, a 40-kilometre bike and a 10-kilometre run," says Christine McKinty, a partner at Somersault Event Series. Shorter courses are also available.

One of the "cutter" events to watch is the kids surf and turf



Racers at the National Capital Triathlon in 2011. CONTRIBUTED/ZOOMPHOTO INC

event. The race starts in the water for a 50-metre swim and continues up the beach toward the soccer field for a 300-metre sprint to the finish line.

There are prizes to be had,

but McKinty says the race aims for inclusion first and foremost. Every participant will walk away with a completion medal after they cross the finish line. HELEN PIKE/FOR METRO

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Cleveland kidnapper gets life in prison plus 1,000 years

'I'm not a monster. I'm sick'. Ariel Castro blames sex addiction for behaviour as court hears horrific details of women's confinement

The Cleveland, Ohio, man convicted of holding three women captive in his house for over a decade and raping

them repeatedly was sentenced Thursday to life without parole plus 1,000 years.

Ariel Castro, 53, had pleaded guilty to 937 counts including aggravated murder, kidnapping, rape and assault.

Castro apologized and told the court he's addicted to pornography, but he claimed that most of the sex with the women was consensual.

"These people are trying to paint me as a monster," he

said. "I'm not a monster. I'm sick."

A deal struck with prosecutors Friday spared him from a possible death sentence for beating and starving a pregnant victim until she miscarried.

The women disappeared separately from 2002 to 2004 when they were 14, 16 and 20 years old.

They escaped May 6 when one of them, Amanda Berry, broke out part of the door to

Castro's house and yelled to neighbours for help.

The women described horrific conditions in the home, which Castro turned into a jury-rigged prison.

"You took 11 years of my life away, and I have got it back," Michelle Knight told Castro on Thursday. "I spent 11 years in hell. Now your hell is just beginning. I will overcome all this, but you will face hell for eternity."

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Ariel Castro, right, speaks during the sentencing phase as defence attorney Craig Weintraub watches Thursday in Cleveland. Castro was sentenced to life in prison plus 1,000 years. TONY DEJAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Funeral held for Toronto teen shot and killed by police

Mourners of slain teen Sammy Yatim raise their hands as his hearse pulls away following his funeral in Toronto on Thursday. The shooting of Yatim by police Saturday morning has sparked public outrage over police use of force. Donning a T-shirt bearing his photo and the words 9 Shots...? — a reference to the number of shots heard on recorded footage — Yatim's teenage sister urged mourners gathered at her brother's funeral to take action to ensure his death is the last of its kind. "He wasn't the first to die this way, but, hopefully, he can be the last," she said. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Luka Magnotta case

Owner of gore website granted bail again

A website owner who is charged over a grisly video at the centre of the Luka Magnotta murder case has been granted bail for the second time.

Mark Marek was arrested just outside Edmon-

ton last week for allegedly breaching his original bail conditions. They include not using the Internet or having a cellphone.

A judge ruled Thursday that Marek be released again on a \$500 cash bond.

The 38-year-old was picked up at a gas station last Friday after police received a tip that led them to an Edmonton-area storage facility.

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Quebec

Search for bodies in Lac-Mégantic comes to an end

The search for bodies is ending in Lac-Mégantic, Que., 26 days after a derailed train slammed into the town and erupted into a wall of flames.

Authorities say they have done everything pos-

sible to find the bodies.

The estimated death toll stands at 47.

As they announced an end to the search Thursday, provincial police said only 42 bodies had been found and five remained missing.

"We feel certainty today that everything that could have been done, was done," said provincial police Lt. Guy Lapointe. "And not only that — (it was) done well."

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Brazeau. Senator broke law filing inappropriate expenses, RCMP say

The RCMP are alleging after a preliminary investigation that Sen. Patrick Brazeau broke the law by filing inappropriate Senate expense claims, according to court documents released Thursday.

RCMP Corp. Greg Horton filed a request for documents in which he alleges Brazeau committed a breach of trust, a criminal offence, in the former Conservative senator's handling of his expense accounts.

Horton said in a sworn affidavit the Mounties' investigation so far shows that Brazeau did not live in a house he claimed as his primary residence in Maniwaki, Que.

Under Senate rules, senators can charge up to \$22,000 a year in taxpayer-funded living expenses for a residence in the Ottawa area if their primary residence is



Sen. Patrick Brazeau talks to media in Ottawa on Feb. 12. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

at least 100 kilometres away.

"The investigation has shown that Brazeau does not live in Maniwaki, nor does he own a home there," Horton said. "Brazeau's father resides in Maniwaki, but the senator, since being appointed to the Senate, has not."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Italy. High court upholds Berlusconi's tax-fraud conviction, sentence

Italy's former premier Silvio Berlusconi was definitively convicted of tax fraud and sentenced to four years in prison Thursday by the nation's highest court.

The tensely awaited decision was described as a historical moment by opposition politicians and puts fresh pressure on Premier Enrico Letta's fragile coalition government. He



Silvio Berlusconi THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

needs the support of Berlusconi supporters and his own party to push through reforms to get Italy out of recession, and the ruling is likely to have a destabilizing impact. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NSA leaker. Snowden walks free into Russia

Defying the U.S., Russia granted Edward Snowden temporary asylum on Thursday, allowing the National Security Agency leaker to slip out of the Moscow airport, where he's been holed up for weeks in hopes of evading espionage charges back home.

Snowden now has plenty of room to roam and continue the bizarre journey that has stretched across half the planet — from Hawaii to Hong Kong to the Russian capital.

Russia appears to have reck-

oned ending Snowden's airport limbo was worth intensifying a political standoff with the U.S. The White House warned the decision could derail an upcoming summit between the countries' leaders.

The move places a significant strain on already corroded relations with Washington. Putin has been increasingly resentful of U.S. criticism and "meddling." The decision gives Russia cover to depict itself as a defender of human rights.

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Jamaica

Probe the killing of cross-dresser: Group

A New York-based human-rights group is calling for Jamaican police to investigate the mob killing of a teenage cross-dresser. Gay advocates say Dwayne Jones was found dead July 22 after being attacked by a crowd while at a dance party.

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On a Roll-ing Stone

Boston bomb suspect issue sells big

The issue of Rolling Stone with Boston bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev on the cover has sold nearly twice as many copies as an average issue according to Adweek, which says 13,000 copies were sold from July 19 to 29.

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Anti-gay law to apply at Sochi Olympics: Min.



An Israeli youth holds a sign criticizing Russian President Vladimir Putin as she participates in the gay pride parade in Jerusalem, Thursday. Russia will enforce a new law cracking down on gay-rights activism during the Olympics next year, the country's sports minister said Thursday. SEBASTIAN SCHEINER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia. Activism could earn foreigners fines up to 100,000 rubles, 15 days in prison, deportation and denial of re-entry

Russia will enforce a new law cracking down on gay-rights activism when it hosts the 2014 Olympics in Sochi, the country's sports minister said Thursday, appearing to contradict assurances to the contrary from the International Olympic Committee.

Russia's contentious law

Canada's response

"It is an incitement to intolerance, which breeds hate. And intolerance and hate breed violence."

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird

was signed by President Vladimir Putin in late June, imposing fines on individuals accused of spreading "propaganda of nontraditional sexual relations" to minors, and even proposing penalties for those who express these views online or in the news media. Gay-pride rallies also are banned.

"An athlete of nontraditional sexual orientation isn't banned from coming to Sochi," Vitaly Mutko said in an interview with R-Sport, a state sports newswire. "But if he goes out into the streets and starts to propagandize, then of course he will be held accountable."

Mutko emphasized that the law wasn't designed to punish anyone for being gay or lesbian. But, Mutko said, athletes would be punished for propaganda, a word that remains ambiguous under the new law.

Athletes have made individual gestures and called for protests, such as a pride parade, to be held during the Games.

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PLAYTESTING

There are three stages to poking the perimeter of a game's rules to see how they can be broken.

1 Solo: The designers take the game for an early spin because "you don't want to expose people to what could end up being a mess."

2 Group: Once glaringly obvious wrinkles are ironed out, grant your fellow designers critical licence and set them loose on your creation.

3 Blind: Find some players and hand them the rule-book to figure things out.

PUBLISHING

When your blind test earns more applause than furrowed brows, the next step is weighing the pros and cons of publishing vs. self-publishing.

"With self-publishing, you get 100 per cent creative control and 100 per cent of the profits," says Cormier. "But it's an astonishing amount of work. Self-publishing designers often find themselves spending a lot more time marketing than actual designing."

With board game cafés popping up all across the country, it's getting easier to get your game on with people who love them as much as you do

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You can play at this game across the board

DESIGNING A PROTOTYPE

Cormier warns aspiring designers not to get swept up in the romance of seeing their vision beautifully displayed on a tabletop.

"You could easily end up making dozens of prototypes on your way to a finished product," he says. "So thinking that your idea deserves to be fully rendered immediately can be time-consuming."

Cormier and partner Sen-Foong Lim's technique is cheap and easy, using widely available clip art for graphics and common objects for tokens.

"Prototypes don't get to the point where they're publicly available, so we don't run afoul of any copyright laws."

If you spend enough time perusing Twitter bios, you're bound to come across people who list "Catan champion" alongside other accomplishments like "foodie" and "craft-beer enthusiast."

These people are among the many devotees of Settlers of Catan, a wildly popular strategy board game that's often called a "gateway drug" for people who aren't already into the hobby.

But that can't be right, can it? What are so many plugged-in people, with attention spans supposedly digitally shattered by the age of instant gratification, doing hunched over a table, whiling away the hours on something so ... so ... rustic.

"There's nothing new about people gathering to play board games," says gaming evangelist David Minken. "But it's definitely easier to find them."

The Calgary geophysicist encountered something similar when he was living in Oklahoma.

"My house was by a (Frisbee) golf course, which is something I'd never really heard of," he chuckles. "But because it was so close, I got into it. When I got back to Calgary, I found there were a bunch of courses I had no idea existed. The community was so insular."

"The same goes for board games," he adds. "You have the games you like

to play and the people you like to play them with."

But that's quickly changing with the massive popularity of board-game cafés across Canada, perhaps none more successful than Toronto's Snakes and Lattes, which has played host to packed rooms and waiting lists since opening in 2010.

"I used to get frustrated with this community," Minken says. "It needs to grow. Video games used to be similar, now they're very mainstream. These cafés are the perfect opportunity."

Inspired by cafés and a weekend spent at Fallcon, an annual confab of Catan settlers and tabletop generals for which he is now an organizer, Minken aims to bring the café experience to Calgary.

"I've ordered modular shelves I can store my games in to create a portable board-game café," he says of his pop-up-shop brainchild. "So if there's a coffee shop that happens to be slow on a Sunday, we can roll everything in there and set up."

"It's not about making money. If it's seen that way, the community will reject it. Immersive games can require multiple playthroughs with people who know the rules. That's what this is about."

It's not just the gamers who are increasingly rallying together. It's the designers, too.

Vancouver-based designer Jay Cormier, who creates games with his partner Sen-Foong Lim, is part of the Game Artisans of Canada, a designer/enthusiast group whose members swap prototypes to put rulebooks through their paces in an effort to polish nascent games to a publication-ready shine.

"Anybody who wants to create their own game is going to have a very high bar for what makes a quality board game," Cormier says. "And what most of them find after trying their first design is that they don't meet their own standard of quality."

Game Artisans members have similar standards, Cormier says, providing a collective critical eye detached from the emotional pull designs can have on their creators.

So if success can be found through strength in numbers, board-game culture in Canada is set to thrive.

"The clever thing video games did is build the learning curve into the design," Minken notes. "So by the end you're doing all kinds of things you weren't in the beginning."

Obviously, board games don't have that luxury. What they do bring to the table — literally and figuratively — is a community happy to walk you through the curve.

Now you know where to find them.

Games people play

Taking it to the next level

These are lists crowd-sourced from a bunch of enthusiasts, with a valuable assist from David Minken. The milestones were a little more dry, so I presented him with scenarios and asked him to offer suggestions. This is what we got back.

I played Catan at a friend's house and loved it. What next?

1. Ticket to Ride
2. Pandemic
3. Bohnanza

I want a fun party game that won't offend people.

1. Dixit.
2. Time's Up
3. Telestrations

I want a fun party game that WILL offend people.

1. Cards against Humanity.
2. A Question of Scruples
3. Crappy Birthday

I used to like playing Risk, but each game is too long.

1. El Grande
2. Small World
3. Risk 2210

What are the best card-based games?

1. 7 Wonders
2. Hanabi
3. Dominion

My kids have aged past Trouble and Sorry. What next?

1. King of Tokyo
2. Forbidden Island
3. Dexterity games like Animal Upon Animal or Pitch Car

What's a good rare or out-of-print game to browse eBay for?

1. Roads and Boats
2. Space Hulk
3. Gulo Gulo

What is the weirdest game you've ever played?

1. 1000 Blank Cards
2. Tales of the Arabian Night
3. Ugg-Tect

START

It all starts with an idea, of course.

"Inspiration can come a number of ways," designer Jay Cormier says. "Sometimes it's a setting. Sometimes it's a mechanic. With Belfort, I was playing a lot of Warcraft II and thought that style would make for a great board game."

Game genesis can even begin with something as simple as a name.

"Obviously, a great title can have a huge impact on a game's success. And if that happens to come first, it can help guide you."



Toronto's Snakes and Lattes, the largest board-game café in Canada, opened to instant success in the summer of 2010. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

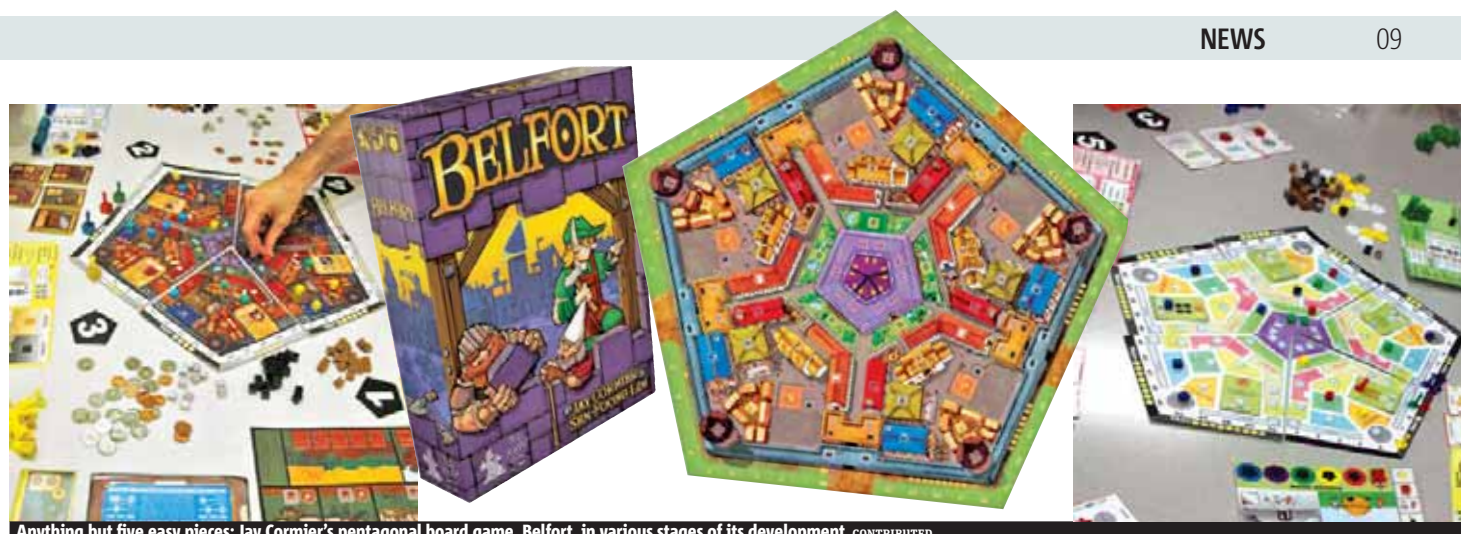
FINDING A PUBLISHER

So a publisher it is. Where do they hang out?

"The easiest thing is a cold call, whether on a publisher's website or with an email," Cormier says.

That does sound easy. "That's never worked for us."

Oh. "The best place to pitch is at a convention. Publishers have their people onsite to play games and talk with designers. It's just a matter of registering and showing up with your bag of games and a few elevator pitches."



Anything but five easy pieces: Jay Cormier's pentagonal board game, Belfort, in various stages of its development. CONTRIBUTED

How to chute your way up the design ladder

If you've ever rallied your opponents to throw their Monopoly tax bill into the Free Parking pot, or stripped Scotland Yard's Mr. X of his black tickets, you're already on your way to becoming a board-game designer.

"Getting into game design often starts with creating house rules," says Vancouver-based designer Jay Cormier. "Finding flaws in an existing game and working to improve them."

Cormier and his partner, Sen-Foong Lim, better known in enthusi-



Jay Cormier
CONTRIBUTED

ast circles as the Bamboozle Brothers, have spent years hunched over their tabletop creations as they tinkered their way to scoring publishing deals for titles like Belfort and Train of Thought.

Cracking the whip on house rules is merely Step 1, though. Step 2 is a little more nebulous.

"Ideas for a game can come from many places," Cormier says. "With Belfort, I was playing a lot of Warcraft II and I thought that would make a great world for a board game. Sending people into the woods to work."

"Other times you think of a mechanic you'd like to try. Or, 'Wouldn't it be cool to have a board game about underwater diving?'"

The Bamboozle Brothers are both members of the Game

Artisans of Canada, a gaggle of designers and enthusiasts who work together to hone new ideas into a functional game.

According to Cormier, groups like the Game Artisans are the perfect resource for aspiring designers.

"Sending your baby to people who are just as critical can really improve a game."

ANDREW FIFIELD/METRO

GET FUNDED — HOW TO KICKSTART YOUR MILLION-DOLLAR IDEA

So you have an amazing idea for the greatest board game in history.

But there's a problem: Getting startup cash. What's the simplest way to get money? Ask people for it. It's time for Kickstarter, the world's most successful crowdfunding website. Like Indiegogo, it offers products, privileges and other thank-yous for a pledged donation.

There's big money in it. Try these figures for size: In 2012, more than \$319 million was pledged to campaigns by more than 2.2 million people. That's more than \$600 a minute. In all, 18,109 projects, from board games to books to movies, hit target.

Sounds like easy money, right? Wrong.

Luca Vince Caltabiano, of Montreal, is the creator of Carmarace, this week's leading Canadian tabletop game on Kickstarter. With 22 days to go, it's about halfway to its \$23,000 target for production costs.

"It's a board game for one to six players and everybody's playing hitchhikers trying to get to a convention," explains Caltabiano. It's card-based and includes bikes, planes and trains, cop chases, and old ladies in the road.

Caltabiano's been hyping his game like crazy, posting on every online meeting place he can think of. It's eating a lot of his time.

"I have a newfound respect for everybody who does Kickstarter," he says. "Just setting up the campaign took about a week and the (promo) video took 80 hours to produce."

But now he just needs to hit his target. That should be easy, right? Wrong again.

Plenty of crowdfunding projects just don't go anywhere. AppsBlogger.com has estimated about half of all projects don't reach their targets.

Then there are the successful failures, like The Doom that Came to Atlantic City, a board game about an invasion of monsters.

It raised more than four times its \$35,000 goal. More than 1,200 people pledged more than \$122,000 in total. But last week its Portland, Ore., creators pulled the plug, citing inexperience, technical problems and ego clashes. The "hope" is to refund everyone fully. Lots of people are angry.

But when Kickstarter's good, it's very good. Bones was a project by Reaper Miniatures of Denton, Texas, offering miniature figures for role-playing games. It had a target of \$30,000 but closed in August 2012 after raising \$3,429,235 from more than 17,000 people.

The millions are there. All you need is an idea. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO



CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Congratulations! All your hard work and convention hustle has paid off. Now it's time to get down to brass tacks and carve out your piece of the pie. You would be wise not to overlook an area that's recently become hugely important, courtesy of what's likely in your pocket right now.

"One thing that's getting more important is digital rights, especially apps," says Cormier. "We're working with (German publisher) Queen and we negotiated hard for the digital rights, because this game is particularly suited for an app."

FINISH

Enjoy the riches! Well, not quite. There are certainly success stories to be found, but many designers are hobbyists holding down day jobs to keep the wolf from the door — which isn't a bad title for a game.

"The only way to make game design an occupation is to either have a bunch of games out there or score with something evergreen," says Cormier. "A game like Settlers of Catan or Pandemic that somebody, somewhere is always buying."

But Belfort is holding its own. Cormier and Lim have deals in Germany and Poland, a third printing has been released in North America, and a Kickstarter-funded expansion is on the way.



An empty space on a liquor shelf where Russian vodka used to be. Many gay bars across North America have joined a campaign to stop selling Russian vodka due to anti-gay laws in Russia. SCOTT EISEN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Boycott of Russian vodka takes a twist

Global action. The drink is being targeted due to Russia's anti-LGBT laws — but should a pro-gay brand get an exception?



EMILY JACKSON
Metro in Vancouver

It's being poured down bar

sinks around the world to protest Russia's draconian laws against the LGBT community, but Stolichnaya vodka will be served at the Kinky Pride Party in Vancouver after the city's Pride parade Sunday night.

Event organizer Reive Doig of the Noir Fetish Ball was supportive when he first heard of the boycott, originally proposed by American columnist Dan Savage to pressure Russia to change its "gay propaganda"

legislation before the 2014 Sochi Olympics.

But when Doig read about Stoli's support of the LGBT community in places such as South Africa, he decided the boycott unfairly hurt a company trying to help. "Stoli has worked with the gay community. They're trying to make a difference where they can and it just seems wrong to me," he said. "They deserve not to be tarred with the same brush."

Calgary. TransCanada says it's going ahead with Energy East pipeline

TransCanada Corp. is moving ahead with a \$12-billion plan to ship western oil to the East Coast — the largest project in the company's history and one it compares to the Canadian Pacific Railway in economic impact for the country and trade benefits overseas.

The Calgary-based company said it has enough support from customers to forge ahead with its Energy East pipeline, which would deliver up to 1.1 million barrels per day to points in Quebec in late 2017 and New Brunswick a year later.

The project, which still faces regulatory hurdles, has the support of the Alberta and New Brunswick governments, but it's not clear whether Quebec has been won over.

Critics have already vowed to fight the project, which they describe as unsafe and unlikely to deliver on job creation and energy-security promises. It's that kind of opposition that has, in part, led to repeated delays for another high-profile TransCanada project, the Keystone XL pipeline in the U.S.

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Alberta Premier Alison Redford, shown in this file photo, says in a statement that Energy East is "truly a nation-building project that will diversify our economy and create new jobs here in Alberta and across the country." THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Publishing. U.S. army stores drop skin mags over poor sales

Playboy, Penthouse and other sex-themed magazines will no longer be sold at U.S. army and air-force exchanges — a move described by the stores' operators as a business decision based on falling sales, and not a result of recent pressure from anti-pornography activists.

The 48 "adult sophisticate" magazines being dropped are among a total of 891 periodicals that will no longer be offered by the Army and Air Force Ex-

change Service at its stores on U.S. military bases worldwide. Other titles getting the axe include English Garden, SpongeBob Comics, the New York Review of Books and the Saturday Evening Post.

Chris Ward, a spokesman for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, said the move would reduce space allotted to magazines by 33 per cent and free up room for more popular products. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Battle of idols

U.K. halts export of Austen ring bought by singer

The British government has stepped in to stop singer Kelly Clarkson from taking a ring once owned by author Jane Austen out of the country.



Kelly Clarkson
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The American Idol winner bought the gold-and-turquoise ring at auction last year for about \$235,000. But on Thursday, Culture Minister Ed Vaizey put an export bar on the item until Sept. 30 in the hope that a British buyer will come forward.

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Montevideo

Uruguay moves closer to legalizing pot industry

Uruguay's plan to put the government at the centre of a legal marijuana industry has made it halfway through congress, giving President Jose Mujica a long-sought victory. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ESPIONAGE OK, BUT CAN'T BE GAY

1 Apocalypse sooner than you think. Researchers from the University of Victoria figure a runaway greenhouse effect will cause the Earth's oceans to boil a lot sooner than expected — as early as half a billion years from now instead of the originally projected 1.1 billion. Before you get lulled into a false sense of complacency, another study says 1,700 U.S. coastal cities will be under water by 2100. Cancel my calls!

2 A gift for his adoring fans. Justin Bieber was let loose in Toronto this week and took some time out to allegedly spit on his fans. That is, there are photos of him spitting from his hotel balcony, photos of the adoring fans down below, but no money shot. For the record: Bieber's spokesperson denies he spit on anyone on that day. Job of the week: Justin Bieber's spokesperson.



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3 And in other news, Justin. The leader of the Liberal Party of Canada, Justin Trudeau, decides it's time to call for the legalization of marijuana. Is this a calculated gamble to appeal to a younger generation of voters? At least he didn't spit on anyone. Expectations are getting pretty low out there.

4 What a guy. As far as Pope Francis is concerned, it's OK to be gay ("Who am I to judge?"). But there's a catch: You can't actually have gay sex. Ever. Just in case you had any ideas. And while we're at it, no female priests either. You can only take this "progressive" stuff so far, and we're all the way up to the 18th century now.

5 From Russia; where's the love? After spending a month in the Moscow airport, Edward Snowden, the guy who revealed that the U.S. National Security Agency monitors everything, all the time, was

granted temporary asylum by the Russians. Good thing he's not gay — the homophobic state would have put him in jail for a real crime.

6 Hey there, George Boy. Despite all of the above, the newest heir to the British throne, George Alexander Louis, is now almost two weeks old. But it's not likely he'll ever wear the crown. Grandfather Charles is next up, then father William, but the way QE2 is going, she'll outlive them all!

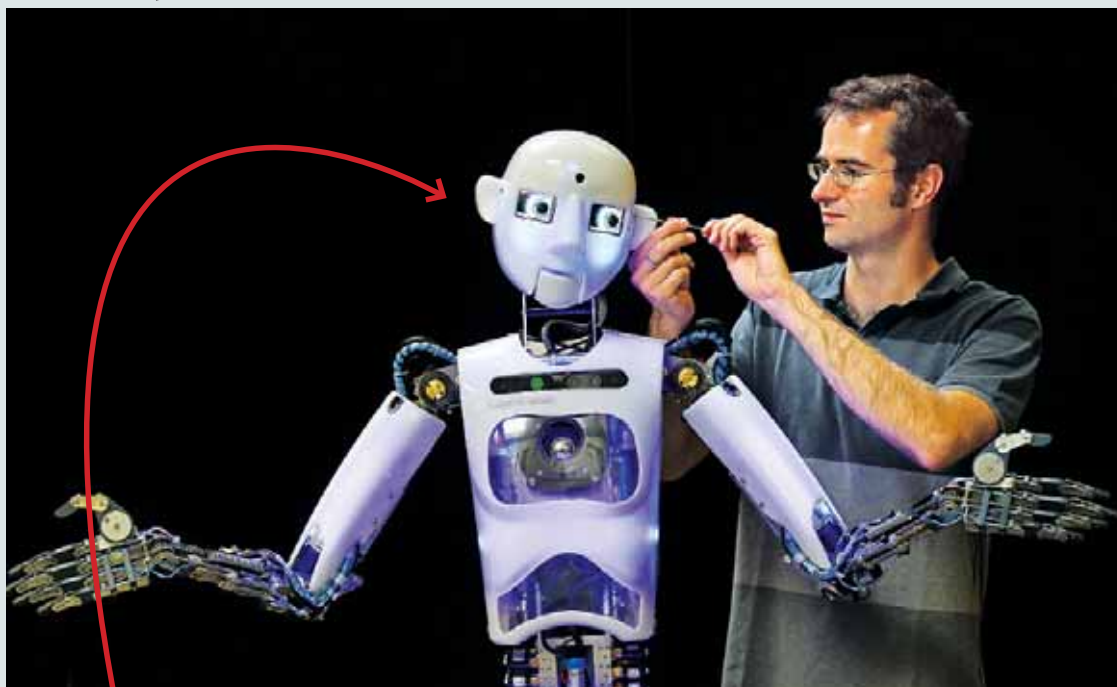
7 Fortuitous book launch. If you think dating is difficult, try this one on for size. In an effort to find the woman of his dreams, a man from Australia wrote a 99-page dating guide called *The Cock Manifesto*. Despite the title, it's not just a phallic reference, but includes everything from his dislike for "players," to explicit requests for photos of the potential girlfriend's nether regions. Carlos Danger, a.k.a. Anthony Weiner, may have met his match.

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Meet the android that imitates us

An engineer provides the final touches to a nearly completed RoboThespian robot at the Engineered Arts factory in the town of Penryn, England. The firm is the world's only maker of commercially available life-sized humanoid robots. The interactive android is sold worldwide to visitor

attractions and universities. The company dismissed concerns about its humanoid robots setting out to destroy humans as in *I, Robot*, the book by Isaac Asimov and the movie starring Will Smith. "Our robots are for entertainment; they don't desire to take over the world," said Gill Spencer, administrator at Engineered Arts. **METRO**

Company's viewpoint

"The robot is designed to imitate our movements and expressions. And it's multilingual, too, fluent in more than 20 languages. People are fascinated by them."

Gill Spencer, administrator at Engineered Arts

Cost and uses of bot

- \$83,600 US is how much one RoboThespian android costs, and it's for sale to the public.
- RoboThespian (meaning "robot actor") is used in live stage shows — popular in South Korea.

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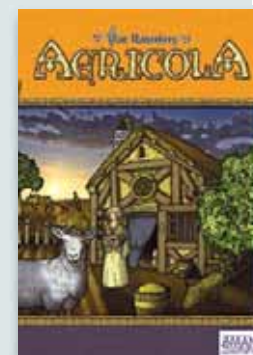


ANDREW FIFIELD
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In honour of today's board games feature, we're going to give a little love to board games that have gone on to second lives as mobile apps.

Ticket to Ride

Outwit and stymie your opponents as everyone rushes to claim train routes across North America. Drawing route cards adds a nice risk-reward component to the game, but nothing is as fun as derailing the best-laid plans of your opponents. (iPad/\$6.99)



Agricola

Best described as a mix between farming and family planning, *Agricola* removes the luck typically associated with board games and instead forces you to rely purely on strategy. Learning the ropes can be a little dense, but it's the game's depth that rewards the players. (iOS/\$6.99)

Scotland Yard

Take on the role of either master criminal Mr. X or the detectives tasked with chasing him through London. The board game has achieved well-deserved cult status, but the lousy AI can sometimes hold the digital version back. (iOS/\$5.99)

Letters

RE: Feds To Spend Less On Science, Tech, Finds Statistics Canada, published online July 30

The better debate is whether or not the government should spend taxpayers' money on innovation initiatives.

The government is less prudent with every dollar spent than the private sector because the government inherently assumes less risk. Failed government initiatives decrease taxpayers' standard of living because they indirectly pick up the bill.

Besides, the companies that

receive science and technology funds are based on arbitrary criteria set by policy makers.

This gives an unfair competitive advantage to certain companies in the industry. The better solution is to tax science and technology companies less rather than redistributing dollars after the fact, which is not very efficient, or provide better tax credits. Both are indiscriminate solutions.

It is best that the government get out of the innovation business before they find themselves in a gassy scandal.

Wojciech Kaperka
Scarborough, Ont.

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Synopsis

This weekend Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg team up in the action comedy *2 Guns*. They play a DEA agent and an undercover Naval Intelligence officer, respectively, on the run after an investigation into a drug cartel goes wrong. It's the first time the two superstars have appeared together on-screen, but both have played characters like this in the past. This week the Reel Guys are rifling through their Blu Rays, DVDs, Laser-Discs and video cassettes to uncover the best and perhaps lesser known work of the actors we like to call Washington and Mark Wahlberg.



Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg both have pretty good track records when it comes to acting. CONTRIBUTED

Reel Guys

RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



We love Washington

Roles review. With *2 Guns* hitting theatres this weekend, the Reel Guys remember their fave Denzel and Marky Mark movies

Richard: Mark, Washington has played his share of attorneys and policemen over the years, but he has never been afraid to try new things, as he did in 1993's *Much Ado About Nothing*. In this all-star adaptation of Shakespeare's most famous romantic comedy, he plays the powerful Don Pedro of Aragon. The movie took hits for its miscasting of Keanu Reeves and Michael Keaton in key roles, but

Washington was praised for his work. Do you have a favourite Denzel performance?

Mark: Richard, where to start? I've never seen a bad Denzel performance. Never. It's one thing to make Shakespeare come alive onscreen, but he can even make a turkey like *The Book of Eli* worth watching. Was he fantastic as Malcolm X? Yes. As the private eye in *Devil In A Blue Dress*? Of course. How about the plotless *Flight* from last year? He's the whole movie. A thriller like *The Taking of Pelham 1-2-3*? Nobody plays ordinary like this extraordinary actor. But if you're forcing me to name my favourite Denzel role, it would have to be as the crooked cop in *Training Day*. I just love it when good

guys play bad.

RC: He's not afraid to explore the dark side of his characters and it is not a guarantee that he will be alive by the time the end credits roll. That's a comment on an actor who brings some much welcome moral ambiguity to his roles. Similarly Wahlberg is an actor who likes to shake things up. In the last calendar year we've seen him do outrageous comedy in *Ted*, playing stupid in *Pain and Gain* and a revenge happy ex-cop in *Broken City*. Like Washington, the only thing that connects all the performances is the actor's charisma.

MB: Y-y-y-yes, but you can't quite put them in the same league. I thought Wahlberg

was excellent in his last two movies, *Pain and Gain*, and the underrated *Broken City*. He was OK in *Ted*, but really, it's weird for an actor to get upstaged by a teddy bear. If I'm looking for a definitive Wahlberg performance, it would have to be his work in *The Departed*.

RC: *The Departed* is great and may be his best performance to date if only because he rivals Samuel L. Jackson's ability with swear words in almost every sentence.

MB: And back to *Pain and Gain*. A director should make his actors look good, but it's to Wahlberg's credit that he makes his director, Michael Bay, look good. No small achievement.

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Dane on the finer points of Planes

Dissecting a kids' film. Why are there crops and passenger planes in a vehicular world, Mr. Cook?



NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

Disney's new animated feature, *Planes*, extends the universe introduced in *Cars* and *Cars 2*, but in watching the film we were left with a fair number of logistical questions. So we turned to the film's star, Dane Cook, to address some of our more pressing quandaries. "I don't know if you're supposed to think about it as deeply as this," he cautioned, but he was a good sport about it anyway.

You play a cropduster in the film. Who are the crops for? That is, um ... it's for esthetics. Because (the town of) Propwash Junction, it needs to have a dynamic look to it. Those crops just make it on the



Dane Cook is the voice of Dusty Crophopper in *Planes*, which opens next week. CONTRIBUTED

fringe.

The film features some giant passenger jets. What are they doing? Who are they carrying?

Maybe there's very small planes that are travelling inside of them. Maybe there are remote-controlled planes, the

little toy kind. They can't fly over the ocean, they're battery operated.

If cars and planes exist in the same world, why aren't the bigger, faster, stronger planes the dominant species and ruling over the cars?

I think planes are pretty pas-

sive, and I think they enjoy their car brethren, as we can say. They're a peaceful mechanical piece of engineering.

The term "engine failure" comes up. Wouldn't that just mean that a plane is dead? That would probably mean that particular plane is maybe

having a cramp. I would say that sometimes when I'm jogging I say, "Oh, I'm having a bit of engine failure." And then I usually have to stop and get some water.

Where is a plane's sense of self? And how many parts can you change out before it's just a completely new plane?

It's like humans. You can go in and you can have a kidney removed, you can now have heart valves or pacemakers put in. It's kind of the same thing.

The Second World War is mentioned in one character's back-story. So is there a vehicular Hitler in the *Cars* universe, and if so what kind of vehicle was he?

That might be a spin-off. You're onto something. I think if enough people start blogging about this, then Disney would have to answer the call (laughs). I hadn't thought about that one. I'd thought of the other ones, but that's good. In my whole career, that will be the most obtuse, wild question.

Action/Comedy



2 Guns

Director. Baltasar Kormakur

Stars. Denzel Washington, Mark Wahlberg

2 Guns, a new action comedy, is what's called a refrigerator movie. It seems to add up while you're watching it, but later, when you're at home in front of the fridge looking for a snack and thinking back, you realize that it didn't make any sense. Not that it matters when you have Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg as a DEA agent and an undercover Naval Intelligence officer on the run after an investigation into a drug cartel goes wrong. They have charisma to burn and good chemistry.

RICHARD CROUSE

A pornstache, a website and some X-Men

Clever marketing?

Visit the site and learn more about how Trask Industries is protecting the world from mutants

X-Men: Days of Future Past doesn't open until May 23, 2014, but Fox isn't sitting around waiting for valuable promotion time to slip away.

The Trask Industries website, trask-industries.com, explains how the work of Bolivar Trask, played by Peter Dinklage, with help from his amazing pornstache, will help hold back the mutants before they eat everyone's babies.

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Not only will Bolivar Trask save humanity, he'll wear the hell out of those glasses while doing it.

X-Men: Days of Future Past will reportedly have Wolverine (Hugh Jackman) travelling back in time to the '60s to help deal with Mr. Trask and his great ideas. And thus we'll get DOUBLE THE AMOUNT OF X-MEN! The movie is directed by Bryan Singer and stars, among others, Captain Picard, Gandalf, Katniss Everdeen, Sookie, the creepy kid from About a Boy, Carl Jung, Gnomeo, Juno and Mike Weston.

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Peter Dinklage plays Bolivar Trask in *X-Men: Days of Future Past*, which opens next year. CONTRIBUTED



Part of the Trask Industries ad on the site. CONTRIBUTED

Hollywood news

Tara Reid may return for Sharknado sequel

While TMZ reported Tara Reid's latest career boost was short-lived and she would not reprise her recent role, producers for *Sharknado 2* are saying they would welcome her back. Syfy's campy made-for-TV flick, which starred 90210 alum Ian Ziering as a bar owner/surfer with prowess over the ocean tornado beasts, blew other shark films out of the water (pun intended) when it premiered last month. Reid played Ziering's estranged wife in the film.

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Drama



The Angels' Share

Director. Ken Loach

Stars. Paul Brannigan, John Henshaw, Gary Maitland

After narrowly escaping jail, Scottish hell-raiser Robbie (Paul Brannigan) tries to create an honest life for his new family. Filmed and set in Glasgow, the first hour has a natural vibe; a rawness and realism that almost feel like a documentary, but it switches in the latter half to a grimly funny caper film. It's an unlikely feel-good movie with good performances and loads of lyrical Scottish accents. The standout here is Brannigan, who is so charismatic in his debut performance it's hard to believe he's never acted before stepping in front of Ken Loach's camera.

RICHARD CROUSE

Documentary



Twenty Feet From Stardom

Director. Morgan Neville

Morgan Neville's entertaining documentary throws a spotlight on musicians who usually stay in the shadows: it's an ode to the unique art of backup singing. Interviews with pioneers like Merry Clayton and Darlene Love set the scene in the mid-60s, when harmonizing girl groups were in vogue; from there, the film traces the evolution of supporting vocals through the rock and soul movements of the '70s and its disappearance in the present day. There are some big stars on hand (Bruce Springsteen, Sting, Mick Jagger) but Neville ensures the focus remains on his unsung heroes. **ADAM NAYMAN**

Comedy



Rufus

Director. David Schultz

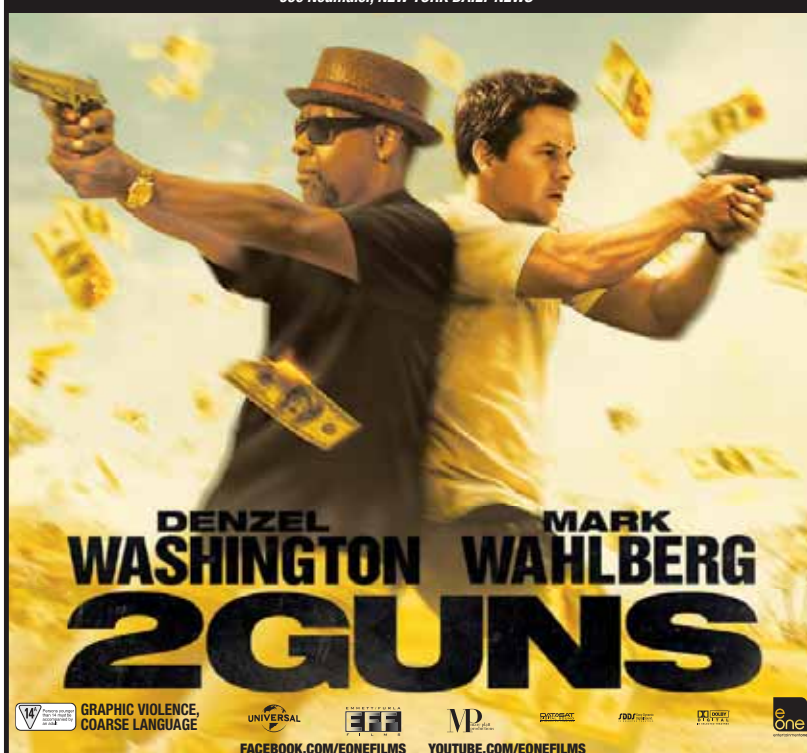
Stars. Rory J. Saper, David James Elliott, Kelly Rowan

In Rufus, a mysterious teenager shows up in a small town and tries to start a new life. Only problem is he's more than 100 years old and likes his steak a little too rare. David Schultz's brooding film stars mesmerizing newcomer Rory J. Saper as Rufus, a vampire with growing pains who's just trying to juggle a girlfriend, family and thirst for blood without blowing his cover. Despite the occasional teenage melodrama, Rufus' surprisingly relatable vampire is a refreshing take on the genre.

MANORI RAVINDRAN

"DENZEL WASHINGTON AND MARK WAHLBERG ARE AT THEIR BEST."

Joe Neumaier, NEW YORK DAILY NEWS



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R.I.P.D. (PG) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:10-5:40-8:10-10:40 Red 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:40-7:35-10:35 The Smurfs 2 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:35-5:10-7:45-10:20 Turbo (G) Fri-Tue 12-2:30-5-7:30-9:55 We're the Millers (14A) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:30-3:10-5:40-8:20-11 The Wolverine (PG) No Passes Fri-Wed 12:55-4-7:05-10 No Passes Thu 4-7:05-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1 The Wolverine 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:55-4:50-7:45-10:40

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**Mayfair Theatre
1074 Bank St.**

The Bling Ring (14A) Mon-Tue 9 Casting By (PG) Fri 9:30 Sat 9 Sun 8:30 Frances Ha (14A) Tue 7 Wed-Thu 9:30 Kon-Tiki (PG) Fri 7 Sat 6:30 Sun 6 Wed-Thu 7 Niagara (STC) Sun 3:30 Mon 7

**Rainbow Cinemas
St. Laurent Centre
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The Croods (G) Fri-Thu 10:20-12:20-2:20-4:30 Epic (PG) Fri-Thu 10-12:10-2:30-4:45 The Internship (PG) Fri-Thu 7-9:25 Man of Steel (PG) Fri-Thu 10:05-1-6:30 Now You See Me (PG) Fri-Thu 10:40-1:10-6:45 Star Trek Into Darkness (PG) Fri-Thu 6:35-9:15 This Is the End (18A) Fri-Thu 4-9:20 White House Down (PG) Fri-Thu 3:50-9:10 World War Z (14A) Fri-Thu 10:30-1:20-4:10-6:50-9:20

**South Keys
2214 Bank St.**

2 Guns (14A) Fri-Thu 11:20-2-4:40-7:20-10 The Conjuring (14A) Fri-Thu 11:10-2:05-5-7:35-10:30 Despicable Me 2 (G) Fri-Thu 10:30-12:50 Despicable Me 2 3D (G) Fri-Thu 3:10-5:30-7:50-10:10 Earth (G) Sun 12:45 Wed 11 Elysium (14A) No Passes Thu 10 Grown Ups 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 11:15-1:35-4:15-7:05-9:30 The Heat (14A) Fri 10:50-1:45-4:25-7:25-10:25 Sat 1:45-4:25-7:25-10:25 Sun-Tue 10:50-1:45-4:25-7:25-10:25 Wed 10:40-1:20-4-10:25 Thu 10:50-1:45-4:25-7:25-10:25 My Dog Skip (G) Sat 11 Pacific Rim (PG) Fri-Tue 12:35-3:55-6:55-10:05 Wed 6:55-9:55 Thu 6:55 Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters 3D (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 11-1:30-4:20-7:10-9:45 R.I.P.D. 3D (PG) Fri-Tue 11:55-2:25-4:55-7:40-9:55 Red 2 (PG) Fri-Sat 10:35-1:15-4:05-7-9:50 Sun 4:05-7-9:50 Mon-Tue 10:35-1:15-4:05-7-9:50 Wed 1:15-4:05-7-9:50 Thu 10:35-1:15-4:05-7-9:50 The Smurfs 2 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:35-5:10-7:45-10:20 Turbo (G) Fri-Tue 11:30-1:50-4:30-7:10-9:35 Wed-Thu 11:30-1:50-4:30 We're the Millers (14A) No Passes Wed-Thu 11:40-2:15-4:50-7:40-10:05 The Wolverine (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:35-6:50-9:40 The Wolverine 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 10:45-1:40-4:35-7:30-10:20

**Cinéma des
Galleries d'Aylmer
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2 Guns (STC) Fri-Thu 1-3:30-7-9:30

Elysium (STC) Thu 10 Louis Cyr: L'homme le plus fort du monde (G) Fri-Wed 12:40-3:20-6:40-9:20 Thu 12:40-3:20-6:40 Red 2 (G) Fri-Tue 6:50-9:20 Les Schtroumpfs 2 (G) Fri-Thu 3:10 The Smurfs 2 (G) Fri-Tue 6:50 Wed-Thu 12:50-6:50-9:10 The Smurfs 2 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12:50-9:10 Turbo (G) Fri-Tue 3:20 Fri-Tue 1:10 We're the Millers (13+) Wed-Thu 1:10-3:30-7-9:30

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Les Croods (G) Fri-Thu 12-2-3:45 Insaissable (G) Fri-Thu 12 L'homme d'acier (G) Fri-Thu 1:45-8:50 L'Université des Monstres (G) Fri-Thu 12-1:55-3:50-5:45-7:40 Maison Blanche en péril (13+) Fri-Thu 5:30-9:40 Rives du Pacifique (G) Fri-Thu 4:20-7:25-9:45 World War Z (13+) Fri-Thu 6:40-9:35 Épique (G) Fri-Thu 12-1:55-3:45-5:35-7:50

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Drive-In
1779 boul. Maloney Est**

2 Guns (STC) Fri-Tue Grandes personnes 2 (G) Fri-Tue No Films Showing Today (STC) Wed-Thu Pacific Rim (G) Fri-Tue Les Schtroumpfs 2 (G) Fri-Tue

**Gatineau 9
120 boul. de l'Hôpital**

La cage dorée (G) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:15-7:05-9:10 La conjuration (13+) Fri-Tue 12-2:45-

7:15-9:50 Détestable moi 2 3D (G) Fri-Tue 3-9 Grandes personnes 2 (G) Fri-Tue 1:20-4-7:10-9:35 Louis Cyr: L'homme le plus fort du monde (G) Fri-Tue 12:30-3:25-6:45-9:45 Quitte ou double (STC) Fri-Tue 1:15-3:50-7:20-10 Red 2 (G) Fri-Tue 6:30-9:05 Les Schtroumpfs 2 3D (G) Fri-Tue 1-3:45-7-9:30 Turbo (G) Fri-Tue 1:20-3:30 Le Wolverine 3D (13+) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:35-6:50-9:40

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115 boul. du Plateau**

2 Guns (STC) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:50-5:25-8-10:35 The Conjuring (13+) Fri-Wed 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 Thu 7:10 Despicable Me 2 (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:15-4:40-7:05-9:30 Détestable moi 2 (G) Fri-Wed 12:10 Thu 1 Détestable moi 2 3D (G) Fri-Wed 2:35-5-7:25-9:50 Thu 3:25-5:50-8:15-10:40 Elysium (STC) No Passes Thu 10 Grown Ups 2 (G) Fri-Tue 12:30-2:55-5:20-7:45-10:10 Wed 11:55-2:20-4:45-10:10 Thu 12:30-2:55-5:20-7:45-10:10 The Heat (13+) Fri-Wed 11:50-2:35-8 Louis Cyr: L'homme le plus fort du monde (G) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:10-10:05 Mon chien Skip (G) Sat 11 My Dog Skip (G) Sat 11 Pacific Rim (G) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:15-10:10 Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 12:10-2:45-5:20-



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World War Z (13+) Fri-Wed 5:20-10:45

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2 Guns (14A) Fri-Wed 11:35-2:15-4:55-7:35-10:15 Thu 4:55-7:35-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
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The Wolverine 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:40-4:35-7:30-10:25



The To Do List. HANDOUT

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2 Guns (14A) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:540-8:20-11
Andre Rieu Live in Maastricht 2013 (STC) Wed 7
The Conjuring (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:35-7:20-10
Despicable Me 2 (G) Fri-Thu 11:55
Despicable Me 2 3D (G) Fri-Thu 2:30-5:10-7:45-10:20
Earth (G) Sun 12:45 Wed 11
Elysium: The IMAX Experience (14A)

No Passes Thu 10
Grown Ups 2 (PG) Fri-Wed 12:05-2:50-5:30-8:10-10:40 Thu 1:40-4:15-9:30
The Heat (14A) Fri-Sat 1:15-4:10-7:9:50 Sun 4:10-7:9:50 Mon-Tue 1:15-4:10-7:9:50 Wed 1:15-4:10-10:45 Thu 1:15-4:10
Mamma Mia! (PG) Thu 7
Monsters University (G) Fri 1:55-4:45 Sat 11:15-1:55-4:45 Sun-Tue 1:55-4:45
Moulin Rouge (PG) Sat 12:45
My Dog Skip (G) Sat 11
Pacific Rim: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Wed 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:35

Thu 12:45-3:50-6:55
Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters 3D (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:05-2:45-5:20-7:50-10:25
Planes 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 7-9:25
R.I.P.D. (PG) Wed 8:25-10:55 Thu 7:15-10
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The To Do List (18A) Fri-Tue 7:35-10:10
Turbo (G) Fri-Tue 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:05-10:25 Wed 12:55-3:20-5:45 Thu 2:10-4:40
The Way Way Back (PG) Fri-Tue 11:55-2:25-5:05-7:40-10:15 Wed 11:05-1:45-4:30-10:15 Thu 1:45-4:30-10:40
We're the Millers (14A) No Passes Wed 11:15-1:55-4:45-7:25-10:10 No Passes Thu 1:55-4:45-7:25-10:10
The Wolverine (PG) No Passes Fri 2-5-8-11 No Passes Sat 11-2-5-8-11 No Passes Sun-Tue 2-5-8-11 No Passes Wed 11-2-5-8-11 No Passes Thu 2-5-8-11
The Wolverine 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-1:05-3:15-4:05-6:35-7:05-9:35-10:05

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2 Guns (14A) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:30-10:15
The Conjuring (14A) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Wed 12:30-3:45-7:15-10:10 Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Thu 12:30-3:45-7:15-9:20
Despicable Me 2 (G) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 12:15-6:30
Despicable Me 2 3D (G) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 3-9
Elysium (14A) Digital, Dolby Stereo

Digital, No Passes Thu 10
Grown Ups 2 (PG) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Mon 1:10-4:10-7:20-9:50 Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Tue 4:10-7:20-9:50 Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:20-9:50
The Heat (14A) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Tue 7:10-10:05
Pacific Rim (PG) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Tue 8:45
Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters (PG) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 2:50-9:10
Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters 3D (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 11:40-6
Red 2 (PG) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Tue 11:40-2:40-6:10-9:15 Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed 6:10-9:15 Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Thu 6:10
Les Schtroumpfs 2 (G) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Tue 1-4
The Smurfs 2 (G) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-7
The Smurfs 2 3D (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Thu 3:30-9:40
Turbo (G) Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Tue 11:50-2:30-6 Digital, Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 11:50-2:30
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As Breaking Bad wraps, star reflects on 'greatest character of my career'

Breaking Bad. Cast, creator gather to talk final eight episodes and great series moments

MEREDITH ENGEL

Metro World News in New York City

As we prepare to say goodbye to Breaking Bad, the cast and creator Vince Gilligan gathered in New York on Tuesday for a TimesTalk panel discussion with New York Times reporter Dave Itzkoff.

The event, which was livestreamed on the Times' website, featured Bryan Cranston, Anna Gunn, Aaron Paul, Dean Norris, Betsy Brandt, RJ Mitte and Bob Odenkirk, in addition to Gilligan. It covered everything from the emergence of the characters to the last days of Walter White et al.

As the series winds down, with the first of eight final epi-

sodes airing Aug. 11 on AMC, Gilligan told audiences that ending now was the right decision.

"Every story has its beginning, middle and end," he said. "This (show) was not designed to go on forever. It needed to end."

The panellists were tight-lipped on the final eight episodes, only saying that the third-from-last episode "is gonna knock your f---ing socks off," as Gilligan told it. They did, however, share insight into their characters with audience members and reveal behind-the-scenes tidbits about some of the series' most popular moments.

Cranston, who has won three consecutive Emmys for his role as Walter White (and is nominated for a fourth this year), told audience members that he wanted to "lift my leg up and spray (Gilligan) with my scent" when he read the pilot because he was so inter-

ested in getting the role. He had appeared on episodes of The X-Files that Gilligan had written as a similar character — a villain that somehow audience members sympathized with. Playing that role, Gilligan said, convinced executives that Cranston was fit to be Walter White.

Cranston called the role "the greatest character of my career," saying that he doesn't think he'll have the chance to become a character "so rich, deep, varied" again. "The spectrum of emotions that Walter White can justifiably play are uncanny," he said. "It's a playground for an actor and I'm so grateful for it."

Gunn, who plays Walt's long-suffering wife Skyler, offered a look into the mind of her character. She noted the challenge Gilligan faced in writing a "very, very smart woman" who at the same time was unaware of her husband's shady practices for



Actors Bryan Cranston and Aaron Paul speak onstage during the Breaking Bad panel discussion. GETTY IMAGES

quite awhile.

"The quality that she shares with Walt that makes it so interesting is her intellect is, I think as sharp as his, and it's also her downfall as a human being," Gunn said. "She thinks that that intellect can fix everything. She

thinks she can control this uncontrollable situation. ... And yet everything she does actually makes things worse and gets her in deeper, and finally she realizes that she's actually backed so far into a corner that she has nowhere to move.

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MICHELLE CASTILLO
Metro World News

If the Game of Thrones series had a sigil, it would probably be a dragon. The creatures have helped those in power rule the kingdoms of Westeros, and the citizens live in fear of the fire-breathing beasts.

To celebrate the third season of Game of Thrones airing on video-on-demand service Blinkbox, the company set out to make a dragon skull and put it on a beach in Dorset, England, which is known for its dinosaur fossils. We spoke to Ben Ayers, the head of PR for Blinkbox, about the project.

Why did you guys decide to promote Game of Thrones



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The dramatic work was inspired by a memorable scene in Game of Thrones which sees character Arya Stark (Maisie Williams) discover a dragon skull in the dungeons of King's

Landing, the capital of the Seven Kingdoms. At this point in George RR Martin's fantasy, the dragons are supposedly long dead, but it hints strongly at their return, which is a developing theme in the story.

As Game of Thrones is easily the most talked about TV show of the moment and we have it before rival services and months before it's available on DVD or Blu-ray, we wanted to mark its arrival on Blinkbox with a dra-

matic spectacle. We couldn't think of anything more dramatic than installing a skull the size of a bus on a beach and waiting to see the reaction.

Since Dorset is famous for dinosaur fossils, did anyone actually think it was real?

Most people know that dragons are mythical. It was appreciated more as a work of art than anything real. We never set out to fool people into thinking this was proof that dragons once existed!

What are some of the reactions you've received? Did everyone know it was connected to Game of Thrones?

We made sure that it was clear that this was linked to Blinkbox and Game of Thrones in all our communications. We even went so far as to create a sand castle with a Blinkbox flag which has appeared in a lot of pictures and which anchored the activity to the service.

Finding familiar faces



SOUND CHECK
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A welcome return of two old friends and a weird push back against Silicon Valley



A Copy of A/ Nine Inch Nails

Trent Reznor's resurrected NIN is road testing new songs from the upcoming album *Hesitation Marks*. If the rest of the album sounds like this, fans are going to freak out.



Bagboy/Pixies

A second video for a song that just came out? I guess since this is the first new Pixies track since 2004, they're trying to make up for lost time.



Google Google Apps Apps/ Persia

A push back against Silicon Valley gentrification by a group of LGBTQ singers. Not exactly safe for work.

Pop star signs deal to play pro soccer

Charity. One Direction singer Tomlinson signs contract with English soccer club Doncaster, expects to raise money for charity



Louis Tomlinson. GETTY IMAGES

One Direction singer Louis Tomlinson's career is heading in a new direction.

The boy band star signed up to play a game for English football club Doncaster, a team that plays in the second-tier League Championship.

The announcement — labelled "breaking news" by Britain's 24-hour sports news channel — will see Tomlinson given the No. 28 shirt in his club's squad.

"This has always been a childhood dream for me," the 21-year-old Tomlinson said. "I feel very honoured to have

Doncaster's stadium, serving food.

But he always hoped to pull on the shirt of his hometown club in northern England one day.

"We often play football with the lads, any time we get," Tomlinson said. "Sometimes we might be on the road and just pull over at 3 a.m. at a local service station and just have a bit of a kick-around."

But One Directioners shouldn't worry about not seeing the group performing as a quintet again. Tomlinson reassured fans he's not leaving the band and is only likely to play in a reserve team game in September or October to raise money for a children's hospice.

"He's missed pre-season training already," Doncaster manager Paul Dickov quipped on Sky Sports TV.

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been asked to sign for Rovers."

Before finding global fame after One Direction placed third on the British version of *The X Factor* in 2010, Tomlinson did part time work at

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Harry Styles. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Do you want to know how much sex this teen pop-star is having?

Harry Styles reveals some startling details about his sexual history in a candid interview with the British edition of GQ magazine, buckling under the interviewer's questions about how many people the One Direction star has slept with.

"It's definitely less than 100," Styles offers. "I'm not doing this! You're cornering me!"

But he finally gives in, offering these details.

"Two people. I've only ever had sex with two people. That's my answer. Read from it what you will."

And if that's not enough candor for one day, Styles addresses rumours that he's bisexual.

"Bisexual? Me? I don't think so," he says. "I'm pretty sure I'm not."

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Remember that episode when Stephanie Tanner did meth? Well, it's a two-parter

THE WORD

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How rude! That's probably what Jodi Sweetin (a.k.a. Stephanie Tanner) is saying to all the nosy journos going around writing that she's in rehab again. If you didn't know, former child stars try to use their characters' key catchphrases as often as possible — it helps people to remember that they were once pretty famous and that the mess they've since made of their adult lives is whatever.

Jokes aside, the story

of Sweetin's life post-Full House actually is a sad one. While the Olsen twins went on to rule the world from behind hundreds of layers of draped clothing and giant Starbucks cups, and Candace Cameron went on to find God, Sweetin (formerly the most adorable cast member of Full House and that includes Uncle Jesse) went on to become a meth addict and a three-time divorcee. But she cleaned up her act, admirably, and seemed to be on the right track, working as a counsellor at a rehab facility.

Which is why it really is pretty rude that she's now battling rumours (she's claiming they are 100 per cent unfounded) that she, herself, is back on meth and back in rehab. Give the girl a break, you guys — the only cast member who fared worse after Full House called it quits is Uncle Joey. That guy was the worst.



Justin Bieber

Bieber won't see hit-and-run charges

Finally, some good legal news for Justin Bieber.

The Los Angeles district attorney's office has decided not to file hit-and-run charges against the singer in connection to an alleged run-in with a photographer last month, stating that there is no way to prove Bieber fled the scene intentionally, according to E! News.

"There were over a dozen

paparazzi surrounding his car and on the sidewalk, and it was noisy with camera flashes and bright lights surrounding him," a spokesperson for the department says. "The Ferrari's engine is loud. The impact was minor and, given the chaotic scene and stress of the situation, it is likely that Bieber did not know he had hit (the photographer)."

Twitter



@JimCarrey

I held a feral kitten once and stroked her pretty head but when I tried to put her down she scratched me till I bled



@oliviawilde

Yes that's real beer in Drinking Buddies and no I do not recall making the film.



@SarahKSilverman

I feel like I'd be a great POW - only caveat is I can't bear discomfort

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Liquid Assets

Modern port revolution



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When I mentioned port last week, I got to thinking how the boozy wonder has been pigeon-holed as a cold weather, after dinner bevy. While the majority of port styles are just too heavy for summer, there are two versions that meet the heat head-on.

White port is produced by most houses. Made to be chilled, it runs the flavour profiles of dry to sweet. The sweeter versions are the base of a popular summer mixer in Portugal's region of Porto.

Trouble is, port being white is so foreign to Canadians that you'll have trouble finding one at your local liquor store.

Croft has been fortifying juice since 1588. You'd think that would make it one of the stodgiest, old school wine makers in Portugal. Nope. It's led the modern port revolution: inject some fun and versatility into the category.

The rosé-esque Croft Pink Port (\$16.55 - \$19.99) is more at home in an ice bucket than at a snooty men's club. Layered with berry goodness, it's the foundation of more than a dozen refreshing cocktails that can all be found at croftpink.com. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**



This Pavlova serves six to eight people. ©ROBERT WIGINGTON

It's more than maple syrup and back bacon

Food Day Canada. Support local farmers this long weekend

It's been a decade since food crusader Anita Stewart encouraged Canadians to support farmers in the wake of the mad cow crisis threatening their livelihood by launching the World's Longest Barbecue.

Stewart's event has morphed into Food Day Canada, a day in which chefs and home cooks across the country can applaud Canada's bounty.

Not only are people encouraged to create their own spread from produce purchased at farmers markets, but they are also able to dine at any of the about 275 restaurants from across the country that are par-

ticipating this Saturday with menus featuring uniquely Canadian ingredients.

Stewart hopes people will post their menus and describe their plans at fooddaycanada.ca. There are plenty of recipes there too for inspiration.

An interactive map includes the locations of farmers markets and Food Day restaurants across the country "so it should be a guide of how to eat Canadian," she explains. The idea is "you can go and buy your good stuff here and here are the restaurants where you too can go and eat."

Here, Stewart shares her recipe for Pavlova, which features fresh local fruit.

1. Lightly butter baking sheet and line with parchment. Beat egg whites till stiff enough to

hold soft peaks. Slowly beat in the sugar, few spoonfuls at a time. This will take 2 to 3 minutes. The resulting meringue will be shiny and soft. Sift the cornstarch over it and lightly fold it in with the vinegar.

2. Drop meringue onto centre of the prepared pan. With a spatula spread it to an 8-inch (20 cm) circle, smoothing the top and the sides. Bake in a preheated 250 F (120 C) oven for 1 hour and 20 minutes. Remove from the oven and allow to cool on the pan. Store in an airtight container or use immediately.

3. To fill, whip the cream with the sugar until stiff. Invert the Pavlova onto a serving dish. The smooth bottom becomes the top of the dessert. Spoon

Ingredients

- 4 egg whites, at room temperature
- 1 cup (250 ml) superfine sugar
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) cornstarch
- 2 tsps (10 ml) white vinegar
- Filling**
- 1 cup (250 ml) heavy cream 35%
- 2 tsps (10 ml) superfine sugar
- Fresh fruit, as needed
- Bergamot blossoms as garnish (optional)

the whipped cream over the entire surface. Arrange the fresh fruit on top. Serve immediately. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/RECIPE ADAPTED FROM ANITA STEWART'S CANADA: THE FOOD, THE RECIPES, THE STORIES (HARPER COLLINS CANADA)**

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Redblacks GM has no shortage of prospects

CFL. Three backup QBs looking like possible expansion team centrepieces after all-star performances

It's been a good week for CFL backup quarterbacks, and that's great news for Marcel Desjardins.

In December, the Ottawa Redblacks GM will stockpile his roster with CFL talent in preparation for the expansion franchise's expected return next season. High on Desjardins's wish list will be a bona fide starter he can build his club around.

CFL teams can only protect one quarterback under contract during the Dec. 16 expansion draft, so whenever a backup impresses, his future is immediately tied to the Redblacks. In the last week, Calgary's Bo Levi Mitchell, Saskatchewan's Drew Willy and Toronto's Zach Collaros all added their names to that debate by smartly leading their clubs to victory in place of ailing starters.

"Obviously it gives us a much better picture," Desjardins said via telephone while visiting the Seattle Seahawks' training camp. "It's different



Ottawa Redblacks GM Marcel Desjardins will begin to select CFL talent in December in preparation for the expansion team's return next season. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

than the pre-season because these guys are playing not only with the best players on their teams but also against what should be the best players on other teams, so it's a different perspective.

"Obviously it has worked out quite well for us early on. In a selfish way let's hope it

continues."

Sophomore Mitchell, 23, was named the CFL's offensive player of the week after completing 29-of-33 passes for 376 yards and three TDs in a 37-24 win over Winnipeg.

On Saturday, Willy, 26, made just his second CFL start but finished 14-of-25 passing for 269 yards and three TDs in leading unbeaten Saskatchewan (5-0) past Hamilton 32-20.

Three nights later in Toronto, Collaros was 21-of-25 passing for 253 yards and three TDs in guiding the Argos (3-2) to a convincing 38-12 home win

over B.C.

In December, Desjardins will select 24 players (eight imports, 16 Canadians) over three rounds. Ottawa will take eight imports in the first round before selecting eight Canadians in each of the final two.

In addition to one quarterback, CFL clubs will be allowed to protect 10 additional imports under contract in the opening round. Any franchise losing a quarterback will then protect two more Canadians in the second round while a club losing a punter/kicker can protect another Canadian.

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Swimming

Magnussen, Lochte back on the podium

Ryan Lochte and James Magnussen are back on top at the world swimming championships.

After a disappointing start to the meet, Lochte looked more like himself Thursday night, pulling away to capture gold in the 200-metre individual medley.

Magnussen, who was viewed as a flop despite a silver medal at the London Olympics, rallied to win the 100 freestyle with a furious finishing kick, edging Americans Jimmy Feigen and Nathan Adrian.

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CFL

WR Williams's contract dispute headed to court

The Chris Williams saga is heading to court.

On Thursday, the CFL Players' Association announced it's applying for a judicial review of an arbitrator's decision that the Hamilton Tiger-Cats receiver's contract was binding despite being negotiated by an unregistered agent.

Williams, the CFL's top special-teams player last year, went to arbitration requesting to be released from the final year of his deal with Hamilton reportedly so he could pursue NFL offers.

On June 5, arbitrator E.E. Palmer ruled the Ticats violated the CFL's collective bargaining agreement with the players' union.

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Exodus

"Teams are going to handle their rosters differently. Some may elect to allow some guys to become free agents while others might elect to lock up as many as they can ..." GM Marcel Desjardins, on building the Ottawa Redblacks franchise.

Less pre-fight fireworks this time for GSP



GSP will fight Johnny Hendricks at UFC 167. JEFF ZELEVANSKY/GETTY IMAGES

There was no trash talk between UFC adversaries Georges St-Pierre and Johnny Hendricks.

Instead, the two exchanged compliments as they held a public news conference before about 1,000 fans and onlookers in the mall on the ground floor of a downtown office complex on Thursday.

The event was part of a five-city tour to promote UFC 167 in Las Vegas on Nov. 16, where the pleasantries will be left behind in place of trying to beat each other senseless as

Ready for a challenge

St-Pierre is on an 11-bout winning streak dating to a 2007 loss to Matt Serra, who he beat the following year in a rematch. With middleweight Anderson Silva's recent defeat, he is UFC's longest-serving champion.

Montreal's St-Pierre defends his welterweight title against Oklahoma's Hendricks.

"Actually, he's a really

great guy," Hendricks said. "We have fun together whenever we're around, and that's what this sport's about."

"It's business, but we can be friends. That's what I enjoy. I can go have a beer with him. I can hang with him. But we have to fight and that's the way it goes."

The sweet talk was in sharp contrast to St-Pierre's last title defence in March, which featured nasty pre-fight exchanges with opponent Nick Diaz.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Try to take things at a more reasonable pace. The more you relax and let life come to you, the more you will enjoy the day and the more likely it is love, in some form, will come your way.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You have more in common with someone than you realize and what happens over the next 24 hours will prove it. Make an effort to get to know them and you will soon be firm friends — and maybe more.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

What is right for you may not be right for someone else, so don't try to stop a loved one doing something you don't agree with. It takes all kinds to make a world — that's what makes it so interesting.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

What friends and lovers are looking for from you is understanding. Can you give it to them? Open your ears and listen to their problems — then open your heart and do something about them.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Stand back from what you are doing and make sure you have not strayed away from your original intentions. A few minor adjustments now makes it less likely you will have to make major adjustments later on.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Don't try too hard today. The planets suggest that the less you put in, the more you will get out. Why struggle when you don't have to?

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

With Venus, your ruler, moving through the most sensitive area of your chart, you may not be able to express yourself as easily as usual but that does not mean you love less. Make sure loved ones know that.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Today's Venus-Mars link will endow you with so much passion you may have a hard time deciding how to put it all to good use. Do whatever takes your fancy. Just act.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Focus on what gives you pleasure today rather than on what you think others expect. If you get the chance to mix business and pleasure, that's great but don't think you have to put money and career first.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You can't put a foot wrong at the moment and today's Venus-Mars link will smooth your path more. Relationships are under great influences. Let the object of your affection know how in love you are.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

There is nothing you can't do, nothing that cannot be made to work. The only danger is that with so many options available you may spend more time thinking than acting. Choose a goal, then go for it.

Pisces

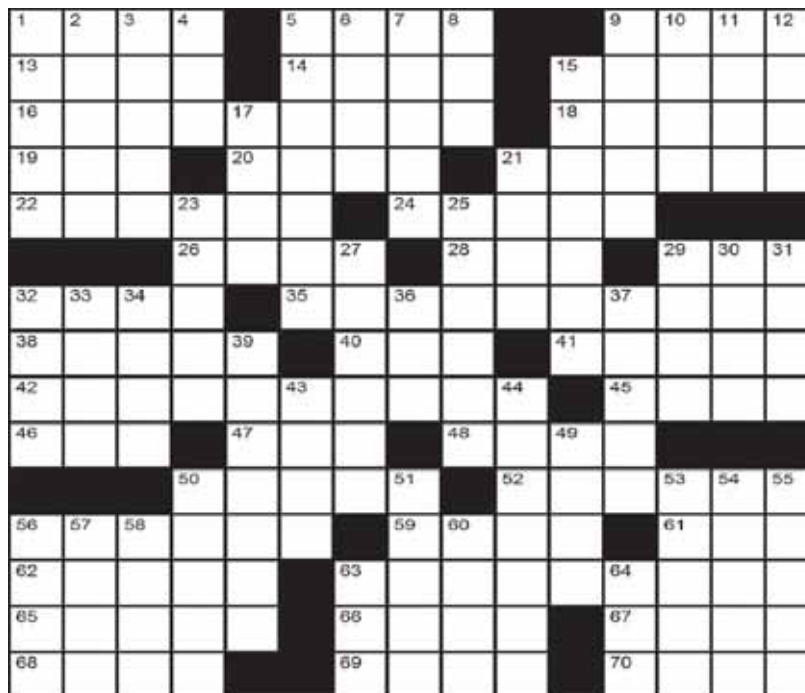
Feb. 20 - March 20

You're on the right wavelength with partners and loved ones at the moment and that means all things are possible — if you work together. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. Luba hit: "Let ___"
5. Trim
9. Tepid
13. Fertilizer ingredient
14. Formally give up
15. Comedian Mr. Rock
16. Altona, MB: "The ___ Capital of Canada"
18. Originating in Toronto, it's Canada's longest street
19. "Ballad" suffix
20. Speck
21. "Romantic Traffic" band from Burlington, ON
22. Didn't have a nightmare
24. Type of cliff
26. Abound
28. "Get movin'!"
29. Except...
32. Soup's holder
35. Mountain community in British Columbia
38. Leading
40. Clamour
41. Sandals and sneakers
42. New Westminster, BC is home to the world's largest what?: 2 wds.
45. Research facil.
46. Landscaper's roll
47. Actress Gretchen



48. Partners of 'hoos'
50. "Glee" actress Ms. Riley
52. TV series, "The ___"
56. Does Brazilian-style dancing
59. Actor, Idris ___
61. Santa __, California
62. Cupcake compon-

- ent
63. Villain
65. Deuce-ace
66. Rapunzel's pride
67. Highest point
68. Clairvoyant
69. ___daisy!
70. What-fors?

Down

1. Gotye song: "Somebody That ___"

- to Know"
2. More believable
3. Category
4. Lummo
5. Justin Bieber's manager, ___ Braun
6. Grown-up eft
7. Notions
8. For every
9. Salt-n-Pepa hit
10. Game show Howie Mandel hosted,

- "Deal ___ Deal"
11. Leo, for one
12. Sugar suffixes
15. AB-SK's ___ Hills Interprovincial Park
17. Citrus fruit
21. "___ on Sailor" by The Beach Boys
23. Bodybuilding legend Charles
25. Pre-Biden VP
27. Interfere

29. Benefit
30. Li'l pluckees
31. Try for a screen role
32. Frightening flappers
33. Cincinnati's state
34. Make one's way
36. Fancy 7
37. *NSync ballad, "___ Promise You"
39. Beau ___ (Quebec band part of Canada Post's rock stamps collection)
43. High-arc tennis shots
44. Will Ferrell comedy, "A Night at the ___" (1998)
49. "It's the end ___ era.": 2 wds.
50. Classic comic strip, Li'l ___
51. Summary
53. Northwest Territories' official tree, Tamarack ___
54. Foe
55. Bargains
56. Takes a chair
57. Hurt
58. Soft muddy spot
60. Wife on FOX cartoon "Family Guy"
63. Moo ___ pork (Takeout dish)
64. Stealing bird

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

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2	5	4	6	9	8	3	7	1
3	7	8	5	1	4	9	6	2
9	3	7	1	8	5	4	2	6
4	2	1	7	6	3	8	5	9
8	6	5	9	4	2	1	3	7
7	1	2	8	5	9	6	4	3
5	4	9	3	2	6	7	1	8
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